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Subject: Organic Livestock Standards

I am very concerned about what I read in regards to Livestock Standards for organic labeling. I am happy

Providing my family with the healthiest food possible is very important to me. I feel the federal government

Thank you for your attention to my letter.

Sincerely,

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py that more producers are interested in sustainable agriculture. As a consumer I have struggled for over
ent needs to provide me with strong support to have pure soil and water in which to grow some of our on

or 25 years to source healthy food. I want to be assured that the growth of the organic food industry does not mean the loss of food in our small garden; support for small, environmentally sensitive farms so I can buy locally grown food.

is not mean that standards will be lowered. Animals are healthier if given access to fresh air and water and
in food; and authentic support for those caring honorably for the animals that make up part of our food s

and allowed to feed in the most natural way we can provide within farms. Please do not allow regulations
supply

s to let large producers use "economy of scale" instead of the most genuinely humane treatment